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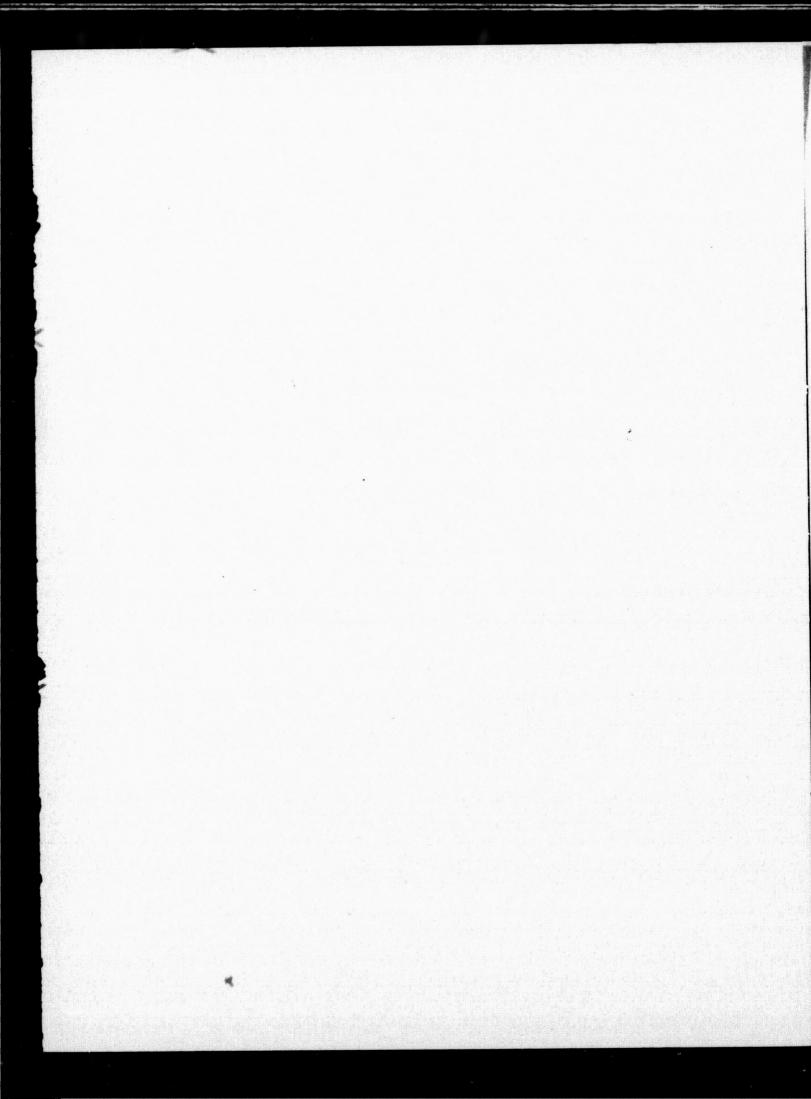
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DATE January 19, 1970

A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

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SUBJECT:

Topper Corporation

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The following is written to record a meeting held on 1/15 and other information gathered, particularly regarding the 1970 projection and preliminary 12/31/69 balance sheet and P. & L. for the year, presented to us in December.

Meeting attended by:

Topper

Henry Orenstein

Jack Rose

David Downs

Morrius Orenstein

First National City Bank

Edward Waldman David Holzman A. Lusk

Fidelity (15% participant)

William Hoffman John Trimble

Separate meeting between Topper and Manufacturers (43%, participant) to be held on 1/16.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PROJECTIONS:

Preliminary sales of \$54.9MM will be somewhat less than \$54MM but will not affect the profit of \$2MM. In the P. & L. presented a normal profit after taxes of \$1MM is shown but tax loss carry forward of an equal amount has not been shown. At 12/31/68 Company had not operating loss carry forwards of \$13.2MM of which \$7.8MM expires in 1971, \$2.2MM in 1972 and the balance in later years. The \$2MM not profit is after extraordinary depreciation and amortization of \$1.8MM leaving a cash flow of \$3.8MM after completely liquidating the P. & R debt.

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Most of these amounts have already been deducted by the customers involved and reserved by us. The amount indicated represents total rebates for 1969 except for some ninor adjustments and client considers them in their year end figures.

In as much as this is part of our overall "return reserve" for December & January - no further ineligibles are contemplated.

M. Siegel - O Assistant Cashier

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SUBJECT: Topper Corporation Line Renewal

Client has experienced a successful year reflecting a \$2.7MM net profit. Long term debt of \$4.6 Million which is subordinated together with capital has increased to 12.5 million from \$8.2 million the prior year. Working capital has also improved from 1 to 3.2 million for year end 1969.

Sales are made to mostly well rated accounts with some extended dating, bad debt experience is practically nil. Seasonal reserves are maintained by us to allow for returns and allowances. Client's reporting is prompt and satisfactory.

Inventory records are detailed and complete.

Seasonal advances on M. & E. and inventory, are temporary March thru September with our greatest exposure March and April.

I suggest we renew our line with an increase to \$6,510,000. (our 42% share including 5% participation by the Mercantile Bank) for the forthcoming year. Total loan of \$15.5hm, including sublimit of \$1MM available to new wholly-owned subsidiary, Youth Care, Inc. for receivables only.

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FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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DATE July 27, 1970

Morton J. Siegel, A.V.P.

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SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

Messrs. Waldman, Holzman, Siegel and Stampleman met with Messrs. Orenstein, Downs and Rose of Topper Corporation at their Showroom on 23rd Street. The purpose of this meeting was to preview their new toy line for next year and to receive and review their revised cash projection.

Mr. Orenstein presented the new line which will concentrate more on non seasonal items and low cost merchandise.

In reviewing cash projections for July thru January, client is projecting a greater need for non receivable loans from July thru October with peak loan requirements in October and November, of \$19,404,000. which is approximately \$900M over our present loan limit. Their projections did not take into consideration, however, a new development with their letter of credit transactions whereby Manufacturers Hanover will extend acceptances on a 30 day basis. This should peak in September at about \$1MM which could reduce line requirements back to previous requests of \$18,500,000. or less.

The additional cash requirements according to client are that they did not receive monies from stock issue as anticipated and collections due to additional datings have not come in as projected.

Recommendations:

I feel the client is understalling their reserves and ineligibles which would not generate the availability as projected. Furthermore, an increase in their line due to non receivable collateral is not justified due to a decrease in anticipated sales and profits. Not knowing whether or not client will need additional line (due to 30 day acceptances) suggest they make every effort to speed collections. However, if reasonable non receivable loans are requested, (10% of gross receivables). consideration may be given to these requests, providing same does not exceed our present line.

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Assistant Vice President

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Year Projections			
Consolidated:			
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FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE October 30, 1970

A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

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SUBJECT:

Topper Corporation

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I spoke with Jack Rose briefly today. Highlights as follows:

- 1. Concerned regarding their abiltiy to meet projected volume. Best estimate now is that they will be several million short. Expect to also be several million short of the Down Doll orders at year-end.
- 2. The latter is a paradox as the Down Doll is the best selling item (wholesale and retail) because of its low cost and price. While the higher priced items, i.e., Suzy Homemaker Fashion Show and Johnny Lightning Race Car Sets have slowed down.
- 3. Best "guesstimate" regarding profit is a breakeven, including the "possible" Youth Care write-off of approximately, \$800M.
- 4. Returns are expected to run proportinately about the same as last year. (we should take a very conservative approach to establishing a reserve for returns).
- 5. There will be some re-dating, but they do not expect that it will be in the proportions of the past year. (Again we should take a conservative approach.)
- 6. They expect to have heavy shipments to customers of the Dawn Doll after the Christmas season on May 10th dating. (This is somewhat of a contradiction for a non-seasonal item.) They justify the dating as an incentive to buy more than would be normally expected. (It provides Topper with more cash/advances than normal.)

The proportinately higher discounts and allowances given this year vs. last year, were primarily motivated to book sales (cash generation) on the Maigher ticketed items.

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FACTURING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE December 22, 1970

A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

TO Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

Impromptu meeting with Topper management on December 21st, with discussion mainly on collateral.

The following conclusions were reached and should be followed going forward:

- 1. Normal shipments with 8/10 dating are ineligible.
- Assignment of "drop shipments" bills to us is questionable due to the existing lien of Manufacturers Hanover which holds the relative acceptance. We will not stand in the way of Manufacturers perfecting their interest in this collateral and the respective attorneys will draft an appropriate agreement. We have not advanced on those receivables already assigned and will receive from Topper negative assignments to bring the collateral in line. Those accounts involved total approximately \$1,186M.
- 3. Due to the fact that they have purposely slowed down shipments prior to Christmas to allow the stores to clear out merchandise, they will require a substantial over-advance. There is a discripancy in our number, vs. theirs which we are trying to resolve but the O.A. needed would peak between \$1.2554/\$1.655 and gradually work down to a more managable figure. O.A. discussed further in this memo.
- In order to bring our figures closer togethe and present a more realistic pictum, we have agreed to the following:
 - a. Where they represent that credits are applicable to past due and ineligible accounts we will reduce daily the past due and incligible figures.
 - Customer deductions (not discounts) appearing on remittance reports will be reflected as a reduction against the \$2MM reserve we have for returns and deductions. This is to be followed closely and we are to be satisfied at all times that our reserve is adequate.

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Both a and b are to be checked out to our satisfaction when 12/31 aging is received and by audit if necessary.

The over advance mentioned above was actually about \$1.5MM on our books yesterday vs. \$1.2MM on their records. Projection presented yesterday (to be up-dated and re-submitted today) shows that number as the peak. Shipments will be stepped up for the balance of December and going into January. Collections for that period should also be substantial under normal conditions. However, Topper's money requirements for the period are also very substantial. Nowever, due to the back-up collateral, i.e., August dating, profit in container shipments, inventory, etc., I feel we are reasonably secured. However, the client must be watched very closely due to the uncertainty of the economic climate and the inherent problems in the Toy Industry.

A. J. Lusk
Assistant Vice President

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CC: Ken Johnson, A.C.

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February 23, 1971 DATE

Morton J. Siegel, A.V.P.

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To Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

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FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE__ March 10, 1971

M. J. Siegel, A.V.P.

Contract File

SUBJECT:

Topper Corporation

As of even date the status of clients account is as follows:

A/R Gross: \$25,352 M Pd. & Inel. 4,320 M Net A/R 21,032 M

(As 1/31/71)

Total N.Y. Term
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Net eligible 20,172 M
80 %
16,137 M
Loan 15,315 M
Available 822 M

Rending further discussions no more N.Y. terminal invoices when will be made eligible and no dating beyond August will be acceptable.

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MJS:br

CC: Ken Johnson, A.C.

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Assistant Vice President

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FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT
December 11, 1970

Morton J. Siegel, A.V.P. To Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

We have discussed "Container Shipments" with Mr. Schwartzof the client's office. We advised the following:

- A waiver from Manufacturers Hanover on all rights, title and interest on any inventory # relating to these shipments must be secured and sent to us.
- A domestic receipt must be received prior to eligibility.
- 3) Only May dating would be considered for advance.

 If paid (May Portion) the balance would be eligible, which is payable in August.

Morton J. Siegel Assistant Vice President

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SUBJECT:

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In discussions on 3/5 and 3/9 Jack Rose mentioned that they are planning an additional warehouse program for stail type customers. Warehouses would be located at various points close to customers with substantial retail demand. This program is in the planning stage and further details are not available. I told Jack Rose that before they make commitments for this or any other new sales program, they should meet with us and provide full details for our review and decision.

Later, on the 9th, E. Waldman spoke with H. Orenstein and told him we were not fully satisfied with the current "bill and hold" arrangement at the Elizabeth warehouse for various customers totaling approximately \$5.8MM. Henry was told that future advances would only be at the normal 80% of accounts receivable for merchandise actually shipped to customers. It was agreed that this arrangement would be followed for at least the next three weeks, with Topper probably approaching us further on the subject of warehousing goods for customers. after three weeks. No commitment was made to reverse the above, however.

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FACTURING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE March 24, 1971

FROM A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

To Contract File

SUBJECT:

Topper Corporation

On receipt of the January 31, 1971 company prepared figures, I spoke to Jack Rose.

The audited 12/31/70 figures are ready and we should have same within a few days. The annual report to stockholders should be ready in early April. The figures are the same as presented to us by the company a few weeks ago.

A comparison of the January 1971 figures vs. January 1970 follows:

		Month of January (Millions)			
		1971	1970		
Current Assets Current Liabilities		32.8 25.9	16.7 12.8		
Working Capital		6.9	3.9		
Term Debt Net Worth	The parties	4.0 10.2	5.2 7.5		
Sales (1 Month) Net Loss		.3 (.7)	.8 (.5)		
Unabsorbed Expense (included in C.A.)		1.2	. 9	Victorial de la company de la	

Advertising (mostly T.V.) accounts for approximately one half 10 H of the unabsorbed expense. Approximately an additional \$200M was absorbed for the month. Jack Rose said a substantial amount of T.V. advertising is billed before it is actually used and therefore they defer the expense to a more appropriate accounting period, depending upon the product and the ads. short term expectancy.

A breakdown of the inventory shows a reserve of \$1MM which Jack Rose said covers some of the older items which they are phasing out such as Busy Babies, etc. Most of this type goods is in the Orient.

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FACTURING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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Although shipments through February have been nominal, they expect to close out the first quarter with shipments exceeding the same period last year by approximately \$3MM. In answer to my question of direct customer shipment, Jack said of the total first quarter shipments, he expects \$500M/\$700M to be shipped into New York Terminal Warehouse for customers under the usual arrangements. The latter is over and above the warehouse shipments already assigned to us. Jack Rose is well aware that we have no commitment to advance on any additional warehouse shipments.

I also questioned Jack about the re-dating, as the past dues seem to indicate the possibility of \$3MM being re-dated. Jack said they are currently working this out with customers and although he did not have a firm figure, he estimates that re-dating will amount to somewhat more than last year's \$2MM. They expect to have the details of this year's program within a few days. Again, we have made no commitment on the re-dating.

A. D. Lusk

Assistant Vice President

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FACTURED AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE BUILDINGS

DATE March 26, 1971

FROM A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

To Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

Jack Rose advised as follows:

- 1. They hope to sign the contract for Sesame Street today. They have already developed the product but no tooling has been set up. He did not know the amount of tooling required. Shipments would not be forthcoming until the Fall months.
- The registration statement is expected to be filed next week with the S.E.C. Proceeds of the offering would be 30/60 days later.
- 3. The re-dating to September 10th is approximately \$2.1MM. They will furnish for our review a schedule of the accounts involved and copies of the letters spelling out the terms. The accounts are mostly distributors.

A. J. Lusk Assistant Vice President

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PACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE_ April 15, 1971

FROM_ A. J. Lusk, A.V.P.

To___ Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation.

Henry Orenstein, Jack Rose and David Dawns, met with E. Waldman, and myself yesterday.

Mr. Orenstein to d us the Sesame Street contract has had a dramatic effect on the stock which would indicate that the new issue would probably generate at least \$6MM as opposed to the \$3/\$5MM previously discussed. They expect S.E.C. approval momentarily, which would provide the proceeds of the issue within approximately two weeks.

To date shipments and collections have been ahead of projections. April shipments are expected to total about \$3.9MM (\$3.5MM to be assigned between now and month end). However, their money requirements are substantial although they are holding off payables. Jack Rose estimates the following overadvances with the re-dating as eligible. We consider re-dating ineligible which is also reflected below:

O. A. Week ending April 16th	\$1.2MM
* Plus re-dating \$2.2MM G80%	1.77111
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O. A. Week ending April 23rd	\$1.7MM
aPlus re-dating \$2.2MM @0%	1.7 <u>MM</u>
O. A. on our books	\$3.4MM

The overidvance after April 23rd to be on a declining basis and to be recouped by April 30th either thru shipments and collections and/or proceeds of public offering.

A. J Lusk Assistant Vice President

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FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DATE May 19, 1971

FROM A.J. Lusk, A.V.P.

To File

SUBJECT:

Topper Corp.

Spoke to Jack Rose regarding collections for this month.

Our figures indicate that collections to date in May are approximately \$1.4MM v.s. the \$5.5MM projected for the month. This comparison may be somewhat mis-leading, as collections in some of the prior months were greater than projected. Some of the excess was on the warehouse customers, as I recall, i.e. Kreesge. My figures indicate collections since January 1st to May 18th of approximately \$21MM vs. \$20MM projected for the entire five months, therefore, they are somewhat ahead of projection.

A.J. Lusk
Assistant Vice President

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DATE June 3, 1971

FROM Morton J. Siegel, A.V.P. To Contract File

SUBJECT: Topper Corporation

Present at a meeting from subject on Monday, June 7, 1971 were:

Jack Rose, Executive Vice President Finance

Julius Schwartz, Vice President Finance

Sandy Obolsky, Controller

From F.N.C.B.

Edward Waldman, Vice President

Morton Siegel, Assistant Vice President

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss certain collateral guidelines and the status of their account.

Sales and Credits:

We agreed that only those credits, properly identified which apply against prior deductions would be given consideration against the past dues, during the interim periods of monthly agings.

Ramittances:

Mr. Rose indicated that late reporting of cash application is behind the a, at this time, and all details should be submitted within a week to ten days.

Redating:

We agreed to advance 50% against redated customers at this time, however, if items are not paid by the end of the following month, they are to be considered as inelibible.

Hr. Pose advised that they expect some term financing, through Ford Motor Credit Co., in the amount of \$7000M. A commitment is due in two-three weeks with receipt of funds expected within 30 days thereafter.

We also indicated to client that billing should be received by us before consideration for a Manage Tly be given to same.

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I'm King () A 3198 HP 1918 7' 67 FIRST NATIONAL CITY BAN. FACTORING AND COMMERCIAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT July 9, 1971 DATE Contract File Edward Waldman, VP FROM SUBJECT: TOPPER CORPORATION Henry Orenstein phoned to advise the following: 1. Ford Motor Credit has committed for the \$7MM term loan. Should be available in about 3 weeks. I told Henry to give us sufficient time to examine the loan agreement between Topper and Ford, to provide for proper sharing of the collateral and to make appropriate notice in the participation agreements with Hanover, Fidelity and Mercantile. 2. Topper application for listing on the American Exchange has been approved. Quotes will begin the last part of July. Cogan Berlin have committed to provide \$5MM by the sale of convertible bonds. Monies expected by August 10th. Possibility if the market may absorb amount may be increased to \$71414. Edward Waldman Vice President EN:SS

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS SECOND CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES STEEL AND CARNEGIE PENSION FUND, INC., CONNECTICUT MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

: ss.:

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE ON PERSON IN CHARGE

-against-

HENRY ORENSTEIN, FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK, HAYDEN STONE INC., et al.,

Defendants,

-and-FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK,

Defendant-Appellee

STATE OF NEW YORK

- COUNTY OF NEW YORK

MORRIS ARNSTEIN being duly sworn, says: I am employed in the office of Breed, Abbott & Morgan, 1 Chase Manhattan Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10005 attorneys for the Plaintiffs-Appellants in the above action.

On the 28th day of January, 1977 , I served the annexed JOINT APPENDIX ON APPEAL - VOLS. I - V

on the attorney(s) listed below by delivering the same to and leaving the same with the person in charge (said office(s). Shearman & Sterling, Esqs., Attorneys for Defendant-Appellee 53 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005

Sworn to before me this 28th day of January, 1977

Morris Arnstein

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